



GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, March 1st, 2011 * 8:00 a.m.

**City Hall Conference Room
4000 Main Street
Rowlett, TX 75089**

PRESENT: Larry Glick, Brad Marshall, Geoffrey Nichols, Jeff Jenkins, Vincent Leal

ABSENT: Mark Garcia, Ronnie Howell

STAFF: Dan Haag, Waterview General Manager, Brian Funderburk, Assistant City Manager, Jermel Stevenson, Parks and Recreation Director, Sebrina Smith, Sr. Administrative Assistant


1. The meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m.
2. Jeff Jenkins selected by Board as regular voting member. A quorum was present.
3. Geoffrey motioned to approve January, 2011 minutes with changes. Brad seconded motion, 4-0 in favor.
4. Discussion on golf course conditions:
 - a. Brad stated the back nine greens are looking very good. Bermuda is starting to come in and it's doing this on every course I've went by lately.
 - b. Larry came to the course and Rowlett High School was playing a tournament. The tournament had 8 or 9 schools playing throughout the DFW area. The coaches I spoke with were very pleased with Waterview.
 - c. Dan H. stated we picked up Richardson's schools this year.
 - d. Dan H. shared that the course will be aerated in two weeks and the bunkers should be filled by April. We will aerate the whole course at once this time with small 3/8 plugs.
 - e. Larry shared that the latest tree planting venture has been completed. We had a lot of replacement trees on #4 & #9 with no cost from Fannin. We had some interesting issues planting because of the use of the heavy equipment required and in the future the decision has been made to hand dig to plant.
 - f. Brad suggested to board that balloon tires might be an option for the heavy equipment.
5. Courses played other than Waterview and their conditions.
 - a. Brad played in McKinney, however everything is dormant so there is nothing to compare.



- b. Brian discussed with the Board that the City of Rockwall has been approached about purchasing the Shores Golf Course. Rockwall has been asking us questions about Waterview and we believe the numbers really scare them because there will be a subsidy they will have to cover.
 - c. Larry commented that the Shores course hasn't been maintained at all. Brad stated that it is getting hard to see where the greens were.
- 6. Brian gave update regarding settlement agreement with American Golf Corporation.
 - a. Officially, all paperwork has been signed and filed. It came in under budget with a little money left.
- 7. Update on President George Bush Turnpike Eastern Extension road project.
 - a. DART wants to close Rowlett Road for seven days while they lay beams for the tracks. We have liaisons that attend each meeting to voice all of our concerns to DART and to help with any future traffic concerns at the crossings.
 - b. Phase II of Rowlett Road could start as early as May. Around May or June all service roads are supposed to be open.
 - c. Best news is the project is still on target and NTTA usually does not have soft openings; 190 should open fully operational.
 - d. The cities surrounding cities, Sachse, Wylie, & Garland have discussed having a celebration grand opening of 190 with a plan to have different activities.
- 8. Review and vote on recommendations to City Council, including latest cost per project.
 - a. \$44,000 for fountains #1, #9, and clubhouse
 - b. \$30,000 for trees
 - c. \$34,000 tee #11
 - d. \$40,950 should be left for future projects. Vincent suggested this be placed in reserves.
 - e. Brian stated that he will put this recommendation on the agenda to go before City Council on April 5th.
 - f. Brad motioned to make recommendations to City Council to complete the above projects. Seconded by Geoffrey Nichols, 4-0 in favor.
- 9. Larry gave the Board a copy of the tree plan that has been in place for many years. He suggested this plan be followed.
 - a. New trees have not been planted in areas with the new irrigation.
 - b. Brad asked that that we be very purposeful where we put these trees for maintenance reasons.
 - c. Brad suggested that 10-15 trees be placed on practice course.
 - d. Brad commented that the trees we have now it's hard to get close with the mower because they need to be trimmed.



- e. Larry commented that we had a tree ambassador that has taken care of this in the past and this may fall back on the City to take care of this in the future.
- 10. Larry shared with board that Joe Covington from Covington's nursery has spoken to us before about feeding our trees at the course. I will speak with Mr. Covington about getting the feeding spikes and then we need to round up some volunteers to put these spikes around the trees maybe on a Saturday morning for about 2 hours.
 - a. Larry asked Dan H. if they had anything to remove mistletoe from the trees. Dan H. stated they have some equipment and that he will talk to Dan B. concerning this issue.
- 11. Larry asked about the re-staking of the course process.
 - a. Brad stated that we use PVC pipe and it is measured, sawed, painted red, and then put out.
 - b. Dan H. stated that this needs to be done annually because kids come and pull them out to throw into the lake.
 - c. Brad shared that the closer we put these to the water line the better it is for maintenance.
- 12. Public Announcement. Members of the Board and/or staff may make announcements of local civic events. No member of the board or commission may discuss nor taken any action with regard to the announcements.
 - a. Diversity Day will be held on March 26th at the Rowlett Community Centre.
- 13. Members of the board may request topics for future agenda meetings. No member of the board or commission may discuss any of the requested subjects until such matter has been properly placed on a posted agenda.
- 14. Adjournment was at 9:56 a.m.



Larry Glick, Chairman



Jermel Stevenson, Parks Director